

Senate File 2196

S-5068

Amend Senate File 2196 as follows:

1. Page 1 before line 1 by inserting:

<Section 1. Section 48A.8, Code Supplement 2009, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

48A.8 Registration by mail.

An eligible elector may register to vote by completing a mail registration form. The completed form may be mailed or delivered by the registrant or the registrant's designee to the commissioner in the county where the person resides. A separate registration form shall be signed by each individual registrant.

Sec. _____. Section 48A.25A, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:

a. Upon receipt of an application for voter registration, the commissioner of registration shall compare the Iowa driver's license number, the Iowa nonoperator's identification card number, or the last four numerals of the social security number provided by the registrant with the records of the state department of transportation. To be verified, the voter registration record shall contain the same name, date of birth, and Iowa driver's license number or Iowa nonoperator's identification card number or whole or partial social security number as the records of the state department of transportation. If the information cannot be verified, the application shall be recorded and the status of the voter's record shall be designated as pending status. ~~The commissioner of registration shall notify the applicant that the applicant is required to present identification described in section 48A.8, subsection 2, before voting for the first time in the county.~~ If the information can be verified, a record shall be made of the verification and the status of the voter's record shall be designated as active status.

Sec. _____. Section 48A.26, Code Supplement 2009, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 10. An acknowledgment mailed pursuant to subsection 2 or 4 shall include a statement informing the registered voter that the voter is required to show current and valid identification before the person will be allowed to vote, and that the identification must contain a photograph of the voter and a validity expiration date.

Sec. _____. Section 48A.27, subsection 4, paragraph c, subparagraph (2), Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The notice shall contain a statement in

1 substantially the following form:

2 "Information received from the United States postal
3 service indicates that you are no longer a resident of,
4 and therefore not eligible to vote in (name of county)
5 County, Iowa. If this information is not correct,
6 and you still live in (name of county) County, please
7 complete and mail the attached postage paid card at
8 least ten days before the primary or general election
9 and at least eleven days before any other election at
10 which you wish to vote. If the information is correct
11 and you have moved, please contact a local official in
12 your new area for assistance in registering there. If
13 you do not mail in the card, you may be required to
14 show identification to prove residency before being
15 allowed to vote in (name of county) County. If you do
16 not return the card, and you do not vote in an election
17 in (name of county) County, Iowa, on or before (date
18 of second general election following the date of the
19 notice) your name will be removed from the list of
20 voters in that county."

21 Sec. _____. Section 48A.29, subsection 1, paragraph
22 b, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

23 b. The notice shall contain a statement in
24 substantially the following form:

25 "Information received from the United States postal
26 service indicates that you are no longer a resident
27 of (residence address) in (name of county) County,
28 Iowa. If this information is not correct, and you
29 still live in (name of county) County, please complete
30 and mail the attached postage paid card at least ten
31 days before the primary or general election and at
32 least eleven days before any other election at which
33 you wish to vote. If the information is correct, and
34 you have moved, please contact a local official in
35 your new area for assistance in registering there. If
36 you do not mail in the card, you may be required to
37 show identification to prove residency before being
38 allowed to vote in (name of county) County. If you
39 do not return the card, and you do not vote in some
40 election in (name of county) County, Iowa, on or before
41 (date of second general election following the date of
42 the notice) your name will be removed from the list of
43 voters in that county."

44 Sec. _____. Section 48A.29, subsection 3, paragraph
45 b, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

46 b. The notice shall contain a statement in
47 substantially the following form:

48 "Information received by this office indicates that
49 you are no longer a resident of (residence address) in
50 (name of county) County, Iowa. If the information is

1 not correct, and you still live at that address, please
2 complete and mail the attached postage paid card at
3 least ten days before the primary or general election
4 and at least eleven days before any other election at
5 which you wish to vote. If the information is correct,
6 and you have moved within the county, you may update
7 your registration by listing your new address on the
8 card and mailing it back. If you have moved outside
9 the county, please contact a local official in your
10 new area for assistance in registering there. If you
11 do not mail in the card, you may be required to show
12 identification to prove residency before being allowed
13 to vote in (name of county) County. If you do not
14 return the card, and you do not vote in some election
15 in (name of county) County, Iowa, on or before (date
16 of second general election following the date of the
17 notice) your name will be removed from the list of
18 registered voters in that county."

19 Sec. _____. Section 48A.37, subsection 2, Code
20 Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:

21 2. Electronic records shall include a status code
22 designating whether the records are active, inactive,
23 incomplete, pending, or canceled. Inactive records
24 are records of registered voters to whom notices have
25 been sent pursuant to section 48A.28, subsection 3, and
26 who have not returned the card or otherwise responded
27 to the notice, and those records have been designated
28 inactive pursuant to section 48A.29. Inactive records
29 are also records of registered voters to whom notices
30 have been sent pursuant to section 48A.26A and who
31 have not responded to the notice. Incomplete records
32 are records missing required information pursuant to
33 section 48A.11, subsection 8. Pending records are
34 records of applicants whose applications have not
35 been verified pursuant to section 48A.25A. Canceled
36 records are records that have been canceled pursuant to
37 section 48A.30. All other records are active records.
38 An inactive record shall be made active when the
39 registered voter requests an absentee ballot, votes at
40 an election, registers again, or reports a change of
41 name, address, telephone number, or political party or
42 organization affiliation. An incomplete record shall
43 be made active when a completed application is received
44 from the applicant and verified pursuant to section
45 48A.25A. A pending record shall be made active upon
46 verification ~~or upon the voter providing identification~~
47 ~~pursuant to section 48A.8.>~~

48 2. Page 4, after line 2 by inserting:

49 <Sec. _____. Section 49.77, subsection 3, Code
50 Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:

1 ~~3. a. A precinct election official shall require~~
2 ~~any person whose name does not appear on the election~~
3 ~~register as an active voter to show identification.~~
4 ~~Specific documents which are acceptable forms of~~
5 ~~identification shall be prescribed by the state~~
6 ~~commissioner.~~
7 ~~b. 3. a. A precinct election official~~
8 ~~may shall require of that the voter unknown to the~~
9 ~~official, identification in the form prescribed by the~~
10 ~~state commissioner by rule. produce for inspection~~
11 ~~one of the following current and valid forms of~~
12 ~~identification if such identification contains the~~
13 ~~person's photograph and a validity expiration date:~~
14 ~~(a) An out-of-state driver's license or~~
15 ~~nonoperator's identification card.~~
16 ~~(b) A United States passport.~~
17 ~~(c) A United States military identification card.~~
18 ~~(d) An identification card issued by an employer.~~
19 ~~(e) A student identification card issued by an~~
20 ~~Iowa high school or an Iowa postsecondary educational~~
21 ~~institution.~~
22 ~~b. If identification is established to the~~
23 ~~satisfaction of the precinct election officials, the~~
24 ~~person may then be allowed to vote.~~
25 Sec. _____. Section 49.77, subsection 4, paragraph a,
26 Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:
27 a. A precinct election official shall require any
28 person whose name does not appear on the election
29 register as an active voter to show identification to
30 prove residency in the precinct. Specific documents
31 which are acceptable forms of identification under this
32 subsection shall be prescribed by rule by the state
33 commissioner. A person whose name does not appear on
34 the election register of the precinct in which that
35 person claims the right to vote shall not be permitted
36 to vote, unless the person affirms that the person is
37 currently registered in the county and presents proof
38 of identity, or the commissioner informs the precinct
39 election officials that an error has occurred and that
40 the person is a registered voter of that precinct.
41 If the commissioner finds no record of the person's
42 registration but the person insists that the person
43 is a registered voter of that precinct, the precinct
44 election officials shall allow the person to cast a
45 ballot in the manner prescribed by section 49.81.>
46 3. Page 4, lines 11 and 12, by striking <section
47 48A.8, subsection 4,> and inserting <section 48A.8,
48 subsection 4,>
49 4. Page 8, before line 1 by inserting:
50 <Sec. _____. Section 53.38, Code 2009, is amended to

1 read as follows:

2 **53.38 What constitutes registration.**

3 Whenever a ballot is requested pursuant to section
4 53.39 or 53.45 on behalf of a voter in the armed
5 forces of the United States, the affidavit upon the
6 affidavit envelope of such voter, if the voter is found
7 to be an eligible elector of the county to which the
8 ballot is submitted, shall constitute a sufficient
9 registration under chapter 48A. A completed federal
10 postcard registration and federal absentee ballot
11 request form submitted by such eligible elector shall
12 also constitute a sufficient registration under chapter
13 48A. The commissioner shall place the voter's name
14 on the registration record as a registered voter if
15 it does not already appear there. The ~~identification~~
16 ~~requirements of section 48A.8 and the verification~~
17 requirements of section 48A.25A do not apply to persons
18 who register to vote under this division.>

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